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UM LECTURES TO DISCUSS CROW INDIAN FOOD, MEDICINE, LIFE

MISSOULA—

The next installment of the Native Views lecture series at The University of Montana will offer a chance to sample traditional American Indian cuisine.

Crow elder Alma Snell will impart some of her tribe's wisdom about food and medicinal use of plants during "Taste of Heritage" at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, in the University Center Theater, located on the center's third floor. The audience will get to sample foods such as chokecherry sauce, pemmican, various teas and more.

Snell also will give a reading from her book, "Grandmother's Grandchild: My Crow Indian Life," at 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11, in the large meeting room at the Missoula Public Library. Snell is part of the second generation of Crow born into reservation life, and her book describes the memories of Pretty Shield, a Crow medicine woman who used many traditional healing methods for her people.

Sponsored by the Montana Committee for the Humanities and UM's Department of Native American Studies, the Native Views lecture series brings Indian elders, artists, scholars, activists and others to Missoula in an effort to provide education about Native people and the issues important to them. More Native Views lectures will be coming. For further information, call UM's Department of Native American Studies at (406) 243-5831.

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